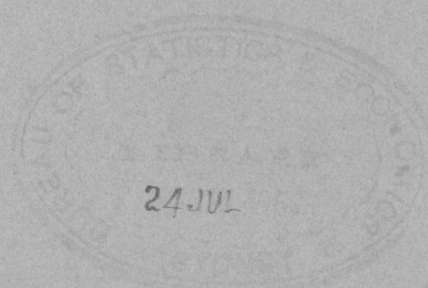
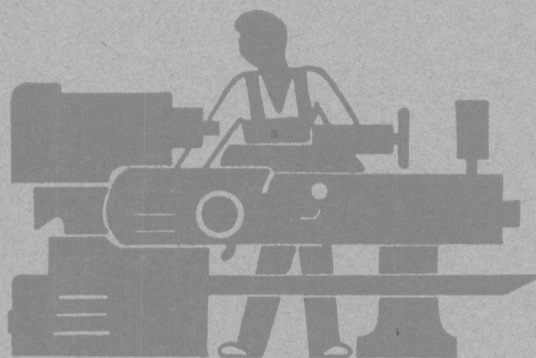


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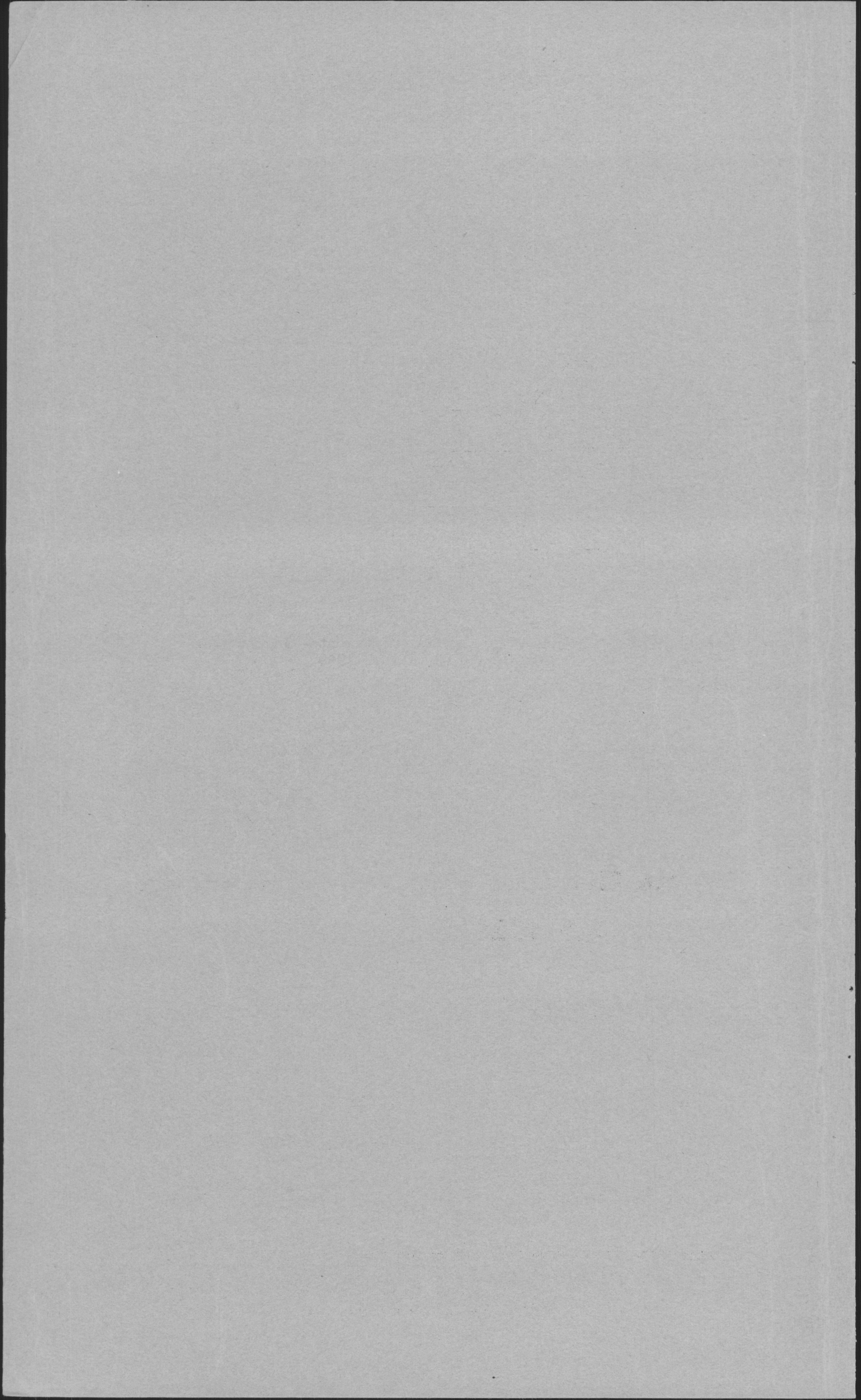


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#### EXPLANATORY NOTES

Except where otherwise specified, employment figures contained in this Bulletin are based on data obtained from the 1933 Census, the Civilian Register of 1943, the Occupation Survey of 1945, Annual Censuses of Factory Production, and returns from Governmental Bodies, together with Pay-roll tax returns. Pay-roll tax returns at present cover approximately 77 per cent. of the total estimated number of wage and salary earners in civilian employment (excluding rural and female private domestics) and are lodged by all employers paying more than £200 a week in wages (other than certain Commonwealth Government Bodies, religious and benevolent institutions, public hospitals and other similar organizations specifically exempted under the Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act 1941-1957). This Act, when originally introduced in 1941, required employers paying wages of more than £20 a week to lodge returns. The exemption limit was raised to £80 a week from 1st October, 1953 and £120 a week from 1st September, 1954. The present exemption limit of £200 a week was introduced as from 1st September, 1957.

The terms "Employment", "Number Employed", "Employees" and "Wage Earners" used herein are synonymous with, and relate to, "Wage and salary earners" on pay-rolls or "In employment" in the latter part of each month as distinct from numbers of employees actually working on a specific date. They include persons employed part-time.



# PREFACE

The figures relating to employment published in this Bulletin are estimates. From Bulletin No. 195, February, 1958, the series of estimated employment in "factories" (Tables 7 and 8) shown in previous issues was replaced (commencing with the month of July, 1948) by a series showing actual monthly employment in factories as recorded at successive annual Censuses of Factories to June, 1957, with interim estimates for subsequent months. Adoption of this new series entailed adopting also new series for "Total Manufacturing", "Total Private Employment" and "Total Employment" for Males, Females and Persons, in all tables affected.

From Bulletin No. 208, March, 1959, the interim estimates for the months of July, 1957 to June, 1958 were replaced by actual numbers of factory employees recorded at the annual Census of Factories for the year ended June, 1958. This entailed revisions for this period and consequential revisions in the estimates for subsequent months.

Call-ups for short periods of National Service Training have occurred from time to time since August, 1951, and other variations occur in numbers of personnel in the Services. These are shown in item 4 below and in Table 4 page 3 hereof.

## TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA (EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic) (Thousands)

	1958		1959				
	April	May	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May
<b>MALES</b>							
1. In Private Employment	1478.5	1477.3	1475.6	1482.3	1484.6	1486.4	1487.0
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	29.8	29.9	29.8	29.9	30.0	30.1	30.1
Other	139.7	139.8	142.9	142.8	142.6	142.6	142.8
State and Semi-Governmental	382.3	383.6	386.0	389.7	390.3	*391.3	391.7
Local Government Bodies	67.0	67.5	68.4	68.8	69.1	69.6	69.8
2. Total Governmental	618.8	620.8	627.1	631.2	632.0	*633.6	634.4
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	2097.3	2098.1	2102.7	2113.5	2116.6	*2120.0	2121.4
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	44.6	48.3	49.8	50.3	47.2	46.3	50.1
5. Total Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	2141.9	2146.4	2152.5	2163.8	2163.8	*2166.3	2171.5
<b>FEMALES</b>							
1. In Private Employment	659.4	658.3	659.5	664.5	667.0	666.0	667.1
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.3	6.3
Other	39.8	39.4	40.0	40.6	40.6	40.6	40.5
State and Semi-Governmental	83.8	84.1	85.4	89.0	89.6	89.9	89.9
Local Government Bodies	6.6	6.6	7.0	7.2	6.9	6.9	6.9
2. Total Governmental	136.4	136.3	138.6	143.0	143.4	143.7	143.6
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	795.8	794.6	798.1	807.5	810.4	809.7	810.7
4. Defence Forces (Permanent and Oversea)	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8
5. Total Civilian Employees and Defence Forces	797.6	796.4	800.0	809.3	812.2	811.5	812.5
<b>PERSONS</b>							
1. In Private Employment	2137.9	2135.6	2135.1	2146.8	2151.6	2152.4	2154.1
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	36.0	36.1	36.0	36.1	36.3	36.4	36.4
Other	179.5	179.2	182.9	183.4	183.2	183.2	183.3
State and Semi-Governmental	466.1	467.7	471.4	478.7	479.9	*481.2	481.6
Local Government Bodies	73.6	74.1	75.4	76.0	76.0	76.5	76.7
2. Total Governmental	755.2	757.1	765.7	774.2	775.4	*777.3	778.0
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	2893.1	2892.7	2900.8	2921.0	2927.0	*2929.7	2932.1
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	46.4	50.1	51.7	52.1	49.0	48.1	51.9
5. Total Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	2939.5	2942.8	2952.5	2973.1	2976.0	*2977.8	2984.0

(a) Comprises employees of the Departments of Air, Army, Navy, Defence and Supply.

(b) Excludes rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training.

\* Revised.

## I. GENERAL SUMMARY

TABLE 1 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
July	2,078.1	2,082.9	2,094.2	772.0	779.7	792.7	2,850.1	2,862.6	2,886.9
August	2,076.9	2,079.5	2,090.8	771.5	781.0	792.6	2,848.4	2,860.5	2,883.4
September	2,076.8	2,082.9	2,092.2	773.0	784.1	793.7	2,849.8	2,867.0	2,885.9
October	2,076.3	2,084.3	2,097.1	777.4	787.2	795.0	2,853.7	2,871.5	2,892.1
November	2,085.8	2,083.8	2,105.0	783.2	795.1	799.8	2,869.0	2,878.9	2,904.8
December	2,080.4	2,081.2	2,100.6	781.2	791.4	801.1	2,861.6	2,872.6	2,901.7
January	2,076.5	2,087.2	2,102.7	776.0	789.5	798.1	2,852.5	2,876.7	2,900.8
February	2,085.9	2,092.7	2,113.5	784.7	798.8	807.5	2,870.6	2,891.5	2,921.0
March	2,088.0	2,096.7	2,116.6	786.9	801.2	810.4	2,874.9	2,897.9	2,927.0
April	2,079.9	2,097.3	2,120.0	782.2	795.8	809.7	2,862.1	2,893.1	*2,929.7
May	2,085.2	2,098.1	2,121.4	782.0	794.5	810.7	2,867.2	2,892.7	2,932.1
June	2,085.0	2,097.5		779.8	792.1		2,864.8	2,889.6	

\* Revised.

TABLE 2 - DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA

(Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp (a))  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
July	59.6	49.3	47.2	2.0	1.8	1.8	61.6	51.1	49.0
August	59.6	49.1	48.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	61.5	50.9	50.6
September	58.8	45.4	48.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	60.7	47.2	50.6
October	58.0	48.7	47.6	1.9	1.8	1.9	59.9	50.5	49.5
November	50.3	48.4	45.2	1.9	1.8	1.9	52.2	50.2	47.1
December	47.5	44.5	45.2	1.9	1.8	1.8	49.4	46.3	47.0
January	57.2	48.8	49.8	1.9	1.8	1.9	59.1	50.6	51.7
February	57.7	48.8	50.3	1.8	1.8	1.8	59.5	50.6	52.1
March	55.1	46.0	47.2	1.8	1.8	1.8	56.9	47.8	49.0
April	48.0	44.6	46.3	1.9	1.8	1.8	49.9	46.4	48.1
May	46.8	48.3	50.1	1.9	1.8	1.8	48.7	50.1	51.9
June	46.0	48.3		1.9	1.8		47.9	50.1	

(a) Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded.

TABLE 3 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES, DEFENCE FORCES AND TRAINEES : AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)  
(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
July	2,137.7	2,132.2	2,141.4	774.0	781.5	794.5	2,911.7	2,913.7	2,935.9
August	2,136.5	2,128.6	2,139.6	773.4	782.8	794.4	2,909.9	2,911.4	2,934.0
September	2,135.6	2,128.3	2,141.0	774.9	785.9	795.5	2,910.5	2,914.2	2,936.5
October	2,134.3	2,133.0	2,144.7	779.3	789.0	796.9	2,913.6	2,922.0	2,941.6
November	2,136.1	2,132.2	2,150.2	785.1	796.9	801.7	2,921.2	2,929.1	2,951.9
December	2,127.9	2,125.7	2,145.8	783.1	793.2	802.9	2,911.0	2,918.9	2,948.7
January	2,133.7	2,136.0	2,152.5	777.9	791.3	800.0	2,911.6	2,927.3	2,952.5
February	2,143.6	2,141.5	2,163.8	786.5	800.6	809.3	2,930.1	2,942.1	2,973.1
March	2,143.1	2,142.7	2,163.8	788.7	803.0	812.2	2,931.8	2,945.7	2,976.0
April	2,127.9	2,141.9	*2,166.3	784.1	797.6	811.5	2,912.0	2,939.5	*2,977.8
May	2,132.0	2,146.4	2,171.5	783.9	796.4	812.5	2,915.9	2,942.8	2,984.0
June	2,131.0	2,145.8		781.7	793.9		2,912.7	2,939.7	

\* Revised.



TABLE 4 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA  
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)  
(Thousands)

Month		Civilian Employees (excluding Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)								Defence Forces (b)	
		Males			Females			Persons			
		Govern-mental Bodies (a)	Private Employ-ment	Total	Govern-mental Bodies (a)	Private Employ-ment	Total	Govern-mental Bodies (a)	Private Employ-ment		Total
1939	July	349.8	943.3	1293.1	55.2	381.9	437.1	405.0	1325.2	1730.2	12.9
1942	June	420.9	888.6	1309.5	100.8	502.8	603.6	521.7	1391.4	1913.1	634.0
1943	June	413.3	859.9	1273.2	135.9	504.8	640.7	549.2	1364.7	1913.9	729.0
1944	June	404.5	871.1	1275.6	134.0	497.5	631.5	538.5	1368.6	1907.1	704.4
1945	June	400.2	896.1	1296.3	124.8	494.6	619.4	525.0	1390.7	1915.7	648.9
1946	June	435.0	1071.5	1506.5	94.0	502.0	596.0	529.0	1573.5	2102.5	143.4
1947	June	472.0	1177.4	1649.4	92.1	527.5	619.6	564.1	1704.9	2269.0	54.0
1948	June	494.0	1236.9	1730.9	94.9	549.1	644.0	588.9	1786.0	2374.9	39.3
1949	May (c)	518.9	1277.0	1795.9	99.2	568.0	667.2	618.1	1845.0	2463.1	33.6
1950	June	554.3	1323.1	1877.4	107.7	587.9	695.6	662.0	1911.0	2573.0	33.7
1951	June	571.2	1370.1	1941.3	113.9	614.8	728.7	685.1	1984.9	2670.0	44.3
1952	June (d)	578.4	1362.9	1941.3	115.3	572.1	687.4	693.7	1935.0	2628.7	69.4
1953	June	567.8	1354.2	1922.0	112.0	570.3	682.3	679.8	1924.5	2604.3	67.4
1954	June	581.4	1408.9	1990.3	114.5	605.2	719.7	695.9	2014.1	2710.0	62.1
1955	June	599.1	1450.4	2049.5	122.8	628.9	751.7	721.9	2079.3	2801.2	59.8
1956	June	604.9	1476.8	2081.7	129.8	643.3	773.1	734.7	2120.1	2854.8	59.3
1957	June	609.5	1475.5	2085.0	132.8	647.0	779.8	742.3	2122.5	2864.8	47.9
1958	June	621.8	1475.7	2097.5	136.6	655.5	792.1	758.4	2131.2	2889.6	50.1
1957	March	605.2	1482.8	2088.0	131.4	655.5	786.9	736.6	2138.3	2874.9	56.9
	April	606.9	1473.0	2079.9	132.4	649.8	782.2	739.3	2122.8	2862.1	49.9
	May	609.2	1476.0	2085.2	132.6	649.4	782.0	741.8	2125.4	2867.2	48.7
	June	609.5	1475.5	2085.0	132.8	647.0	779.8	742.3	2122.5	2864.8	47.9
	July	609.6	1473.3	2082.9	133.7	646.0	779.7	743.3	2119.3	2862.6	51.1
	August	608.1	1471.4	2079.5	133.6	647.4	781.0	741.7	2118.8	2860.5	50.9
	September	607.9	1475.0	2082.9	133.2	650.9	784.1	741.1	2125.9	2867.0	47.2
	October	608.9	1475.4	2084.3	133.0	654.2	787.2	741.9	2129.6	2871.5	50.5
	November	608.0	1475.8	2083.8	133.1	662.0	795.1	741.1	2137.8	2878.9	50.2
	December	609.0	1472.2	2081.2	132.1	659.3	791.4	741.1	2131.5	2872.6	46.3
1958	January	611.9	1475.3	2087.2	132.7	656.8	789.5	744.6	2132.1	2876.7	50.6
	February	614.5	1478.2	2092.7	136.3	662.5	798.8	750.8	2140.7	2891.5	50.6
	March	616.4	1480.3	2096.7	136.7	664.5	801.2	753.1	2144.8	2897.9	47.8
	April	618.8	1478.5	2097.3	136.4	659.4	795.8	755.2	2137.9	2893.1	46.4
	May	620.8	1477.3	2098.1	136.3	658.3	794.6	757.1	2135.6	2892.7	50.1
	June	621.8	1475.7	2097.5	136.6	655.5	792.1	758.4	2131.2	2889.6	50.1
	July	621.7	1472.5	2094.2	137.7	655.0	792.7	759.4	2127.5	2886.9	49.0
	August	620.6	1470.2	2090.8	137.5	655.1	792.6	758.1	2125.3	2883.4	50.6
	September	620.7	1471.5	2092.2	137.6	656.1	793.7	758.3	2127.6	2885.9	50.6
	October	621.5	1475.6	2097.1	137.6	657.4	795.0	759.1	2133.0	2892.1	49.5
	November	622.8	1482.2	2105.0	137.8	662.0	799.8	760.6	2144.2	2904.8	47.1
	December	622.8	1477.8	2100.6	137.1	664.0	801.1	759.9	2141.8	2901.7	47.0
1959	January	627.1	1475.6	2102.7	138.6	659.5	798.1	765.7	2135.1	2900.8	51.7
	February	631.2	1482.3	2113.5	143.0	664.5	807.5	774.2	2146.8	2921.0	52.1
	March	632.0	1484.6	2116.6	143.4	667.0	810.4	775.4	2151.6	2927.0	49.0
	April	*633.6	1486.4	*2120.0	143.7	666.0	809.7	*777.3	2152.4	*2929.7	48.1
	May	634.4	1487.0	2121.4	143.6	667.1	810.7	778.0	2154.1	2932.1	51.9

(a) Includes all employees of Governmental Bodies (Commonwealth, State, Local and Semi-Governmental) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post office, air transport, education, broadcasting, television, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees, within Australia.

(b) Includes members of Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp. Non-enlisted personnel are included to June, 1956. Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded. (c) Figures for May, 1949 have been used for purposes of annual comparison because of the effects of the coal dispute in June, 1949. (d) See Preface on page 1 hereof as to effects of fluctuations in numbers of Defence Forces and Trainees since August, 1951. \* Revised.

TABLE 5 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT

## STATES AND TERRITORIES

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)  
(Thousands)

State or Territory	June, 1954	June, 1955	June, 1956	June, 1957	June, 1958	April, 1958	May, 1958	April, 1959	May, 1959
<b>MALES</b>									
New South Wales	771.3	794.2	808.5	810.5	814.5	816.3	815.4	817.8	819.0
Victoria	556.8	576.2	583.2	586.0	592.9	594.1	594.3	603.5	602.5
Queensland	269.6	278.2	282.4	282.6	282.8	278.0	280.7	* 285.1	286.3
South Australia	176.8	180.8	187.9	186.4	186.0	186.3	185.8	190.2	190.5
Western Australia	139.1	141.5	140.5	138.4	138.6	139.4	138.8	139.8	139.5
Tasmania	63.6	65.1	65.7	66.0	67.0	67.8	67.5	67.4	67.3
Northern Territory	4.9	4.8	5.0	5.8	5.6	5.4	5.5	5.8	5.8
Aust. Cap. Terr.	8.2	8.7	8.5	9.3	10.1	10.0	10.1	10.4	10.5
<b>Australia:</b>	<b>1990.3</b>	<b>2049.5</b>	<b>2081.7</b>	<b>2085.0</b>	<b>2097.5</b>	<b>2097.3</b>	<b>2098.1</b>	<b>*2120.0</b>	<b>2121.4</b>
<b>FEMALES</b>									
New South Wales	284.3	297.4	305.9	309.3	314.5	315.6	315.7	319.4	320.3
Victoria	222.1	232.4	238.5	240.4	244.5	246.9	245.9	252.5	251.6
Queensland	88.6	92.1	93.7	95.8	95.9	95.4	95.5	97.2	97.9
South Australia	56.6	59.8	62.5	62.4	63.4	63.8	63.5	65.0	65.2
Western Australia	43.4	44.3	45.1	44.5	45.6	45.9	45.9	46.8	47.1
Tasmania	21.2	21.8	23.2	22.9	23.5	23.5	23.4	23.7	23.5
Northern Territory	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4
Aust. Cap. Terr.	2.6	2.9	3.1	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.7	3.7
<b>Australia:</b>	<b>719.7</b>	<b>751.7</b>	<b>773.1</b>	<b>779.8</b>	<b>792.1</b>	<b>795.8</b>	<b>794.6</b>	<b>809.7</b>	<b>810.7</b>
<b>PERSONS</b>									
New South Wales	1055.6	1091.6	1114.4	1119.8	1129.0	1131.9	1131.1	1137.2	1139.3
Victoria	778.9	808.6	821.7	826.4	837.4	841.0	840.2	856.0	854.1
Queensland	358.2	370.3	376.1	378.4	378.7	373.4	376.2	* 382.3	384.2
South Australia	233.4	240.6	250.4	248.8	249.4	250.1	249.3	255.2	255.7
Western Australia	182.5	185.8	185.6	182.9	184.2	185.3	184.7	186.6	186.6
Tasmania	84.8	86.9	88.9	88.9	90.5	91.3	90.9	91.1	90.8
Northern Territory	5.8	5.8	6.1	7.0	6.9	6.7	6.8	7.2	7.2
Aust. Cap. Terr.	10.8	11.6	11.6	12.6	13.5	13.4	13.5	14.1	14.2
<b>Australia:</b>	<b>2710.0</b>	<b>2801.2</b>	<b>2854.8</b>	<b>2864.8</b>	<b>2889.6</b>	<b>2893.1</b>	<b>2892.7</b>	<b>*2929.7</b>	<b>2932.1</b>

\* Revised.

TABLE 6 - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL BODIES, MAY, 1959.

## STATES AND TERRITORIES

(Thousands)

State or Territory	Commonwealth (a)						State and Semi-Govt. (a)		Local Govt. (a)		Total Governmental (a)		
	Defence Group		Other		Total								
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	P
New South Wales	9.6	1.2	49.0	14.3	58.6	15.5	135.7	29.7	27.8	3.2	222.1	48.4	270.5
Victoria	14.5	4.0	38.3	11.4	52.8	15.4	103.2	28.0	13.8	1.9	169.8	45.3	215.1
Queensland	1.2	0.1	17.3	4.8	18.5	4.9	57.2	9.0	18.5	1.0	94.3	14.8	109.1
South Australia	3.8	0.7	13.8	3.1	17.6	3.8	40.2	11.5	3.6	0.3	61.4	15.6	77.0
Western Australia	0.6	0.1	9.1	2.2	9.7	2.3	40.3	7.5	3.7	0.3	53.6	10.2	63.8
Tasmania	0.1	0.1	4.7	1.2	4.8	1.3	15.1	4.2	2.3	0.2	22.2	5.7	27.9
Northern Territory	0.1	-	2.8	0.8	2.9	0.8	-	-	0.1	-	3.0	0.8	3.8
Aust. Cap. Terr.	0.2	0.1	7.8	2.7	8.0	2.8	-	-	-	-	8.0	2.8	10.8
<u>Total : May, 1959</u>	30.1	6.3	142.8	40.5	172.9	46.8	391.7	89.9	69.8	6.9	634.4	143.6	778.0
<u>Total : April, 1959</u>	30.1	6.3	142.6	40.6	172.7	46.9	*391.3	89.9	69.6	6.9	*633.6	143.7	*777.3

(a) See note (a) to Table 4 on previous page.

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## II. EMPLOYMENT IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

TABLE 7 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS  
STATES - MAY, 1959.

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestics)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)

(Thousands)

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (f)
<b>MALES</b>							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	8.0	5.3	5.4	1.8	2.3	2.1	25.0
Mining and Quarrying	22.8	4.6	9.3	1.6	7.6	2.7	49.0
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	329.3	252.2	82.3	74.6	38.8	22.0	799.2
Other (b)	28.7	19.7	10.9	2.9	2.6	0.9	67.7
<b>Total Manufacturing:</b>	<b>358.0</b>	<b>271.9</b>	<b>93.2</b>	<b>77.5</b>	<b>41.4</b>	<b>22.9</b>	<b>866.9</b>
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	69.2	51.4	37.7	20.4	14.4	9.2	205.8
Road Transport	36.6	22.4	14.9	7.4	4.7	2.5	88.9
Shipping and Stevedoring	15.5	10.6	8.5	5.5	5.3	2.5	48.1
Rail and Air Transport	36.8	22.9	22.0	9.3	10.4	2.5	104.3
Communication	27.0	19.9	9.9	6.5	4.9	2.2	71.0
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	27.0	20.8	8.9	5.8	4.2	1.6	68.6
Retail Trade	52.2	39.3	15.7	12.4	10.1	3.6	133.6
Wholesale and Other Commerce	51.7	45.1	22.2	15.2	13.8	4.7	153.2
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	38.4	29.6	12.1	8.6	7.6	3.9	105.4
Other Industries (g)	75.8	58.7	26.5	18.5	12.8	6.9	201.6
<b>TOTAL MALES:</b>	<b>819.0</b>	<b>602.5</b>	<b>286.3</b>	<b>190.5</b>	<b>139.5</b>	<b>67.3</b>	<b>2121.4</b>
<b>FEMALES</b>							
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	106.1	96.3	16.5	15.8	6.2	5.4	246.3
Other (b)	1.3	2.4	2.9	0.1	0.9	-	7.9
<b>Total Manufacturing:</b>	<b>107.4</b>	<b>98.7</b>	<b>19.4</b>	<b>15.9</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>254.2</b>
Rail and Air Transport	3.7	2.0	1.2	0.7	0.4	0.1	8.2
Other Transport (incl. Shipping, etc.)	4.6	4.0	1.9	1.0	0.6	0.3	12.4
Communication	7.4	5.6	2.8	1.8	1.0	1.0	19.7
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	21.2	13.8	5.3	3.8	2.5	1.1	47.9
Retail Trade	47.0	34.9	17.2	12.7	11.0	4.1	127.4
Wholesale and Other Commerce	18.3	13.5	7.2	4.0	3.4	1.0	47.4
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	11.4	7.8	4.5	1.9	2.1	1.1	30.5
Other Industries (g)	99.3	71.3	38.4	23.4	19.0	9.4	263.0
<b>TOTAL FEMALES:</b>	<b>320.3</b>	<b>251.6</b>	<b>97.9</b>	<b>65.2</b>	<b>47.1</b>	<b>23.5</b>	<b>810.7</b>
<b>PERSONS</b>							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	8.1	5.4	5.4	1.8	2.3	2.1	25.2
Mining and Quarrying	23.1	4.7	9.6	1.7	7.8	2.8	50.1
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	435.4	348.5	98.8	90.4	45.0	27.4	1045.5
Other (b)	30.0	22.1	13.8	3.0	3.5	0.9	75.6
<b>Total Manufacturing:</b>	<b>465.4</b>	<b>370.6</b>	<b>112.6</b>	<b>93.4</b>	<b>48.5</b>	<b>28.3</b>	<b>1121.1</b>
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	71.7	52.9	38.4	20.9	14.7	9.3	211.4
Road Transport	40.1	25.7	16.5	8.2	5.1	2.7	98.7
Shipping and Stevedoring	16.6	11.3	8.8	5.7	5.5	2.6	50.7
Rail and Air Transport	40.5	24.9	23.2	10.0	10.8	2.6	112.5
Communication	34.4	25.5	12.7	8.3	5.9	3.2	90.7
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	48.2	34.6	14.2	9.6	6.7	2.7	116.5
Retail Trade	99.2	74.2	32.9	25.1	21.1	7.7	261.0
Wholesale and Other Commerce	70.0	58.6	29.4	19.2	17.2	5.7	200.6
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	49.8	37.4	16.6	10.5	9.7	5.0	135.9
Other Industries (g)	172.2	128.3	63.9	41.3	31.3	16.1	457.7
<b>TOTAL PERSONS:</b>	<b>1139.3</b>	<b>854.1</b>	<b>384.2</b>	<b>255.7</b>	<b>186.6</b>	<b>90.8</b>	<b>2932.1</b>

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TABLE 8 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

## AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)  
 (Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)  
 (Thousands)

Industrial Group	April, 1958	May, 1958	Feb., 1959	March, 1959	April, 1959	May, 1959
<b>MALES</b>						
<b>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</b>	25.6	25.6	25.6	25.3	25.0	25.0
<b>Mining and Quarrying -</b>						
Gold	7.0	6.9	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.0
Silver, Lead, Zinc	9.4	9.4	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.0
Coal	24.3	24.3	22.0	21.6	21.6	21.5
Other (including Quarries)	11.9	11.8	11.6	11.5	11.6	11.5
<b>Total Mining and Quarrying</b>	52.6	52.4	49.6	49.1	49.2	49.0
<b>Manufacturing, etc. -</b>						
Factories (a)	791.6	791.4	793.8	796.3	797.9	799.2
Other (b)	66.1	66.1	67.5	67.6	67.6	67.7
<b>Total Manufacturing</b>	857.7	857.5	861.3	863.9	865.5	866.9
<b>Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.) -</b>						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	83.2	83.8	83.1	83.3	84.1	84.3
Other (d)	117.3	118.3	119.8	120.2	121.3	121.5
<b>Total Building and Construction</b>	200.5	202.1	202.9	203.5	205.4	205.8
<b>Transport and Communication -</b>						
Road Transport	87.8	87.7	88.6	88.9	89.0	88.9
Shipping and Stevedoring	48.6	49.2	48.4	48.5	48.4	48.1
Rail and Air Transport	104.5	104.7	104.0	104.0	* 104.3	104.3
Communication	69.7	69.7	71.2	71.2	71.0	71.0
<b>Total Transport and Communication</b>	310.6	311.3	312.2	312.6	* 312.7	312.3
<b>Property and Finance, (including Banks and Insurance)</b>	66.1	65.9	68.1	68.6	68.8	68.6
<b>Commerce -</b>						
Wholesale Trade	127.3	127.0	128.5	128.9	129.3	128.8
Primary Produce Agencies	24.5	23.9	25.7	24.7	24.6	24.4
Retail Trade	132.3	133.0	133.6	133.0	132.8	133.6
<b>Total Commerce</b>	284.1	283.9	287.8	286.6	286.7	286.8
<b>Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.</b>	103.5	103.6	105.0	105.2	105.4	105.4
<b>Other -</b>						
Law and Order	22.8	22.9	23.3	23.4	23.3	23.4
Religion and Social Welfare	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4
Health Services	27.5	27.5	28.0	28.2	28.2	28.3
Education	44.9	45.0	47.8	48.2	48.7	48.9
Other Professional	15.1	14.7	15.5	15.4	15.3	15.3
Amusement, Sport	19.7	19.3	19.4	19.9	19.4	19.5
Personal Service (e)	55.2	55.0	55.6	55.3	55.0	54.8
<b>Total Other</b>	196.6	195.8	201.0	201.8	201.3	201.6
<b>TOTAL:</b>	2097.3	2098.1	2113.5	2116.6	*2120.0	2121.4

## FEMALES

<b>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</b>	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
<b>Mining and Quarrying</b>	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
<b>Manufacturing, etc. -</b>						
Factories (a)	247.5	245.8	247.2	247.9	246.5	246.3
Other (b)	7.7	7.7	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9
<b>Total Manufacturing</b>	255.2	253.5	255.1	255.8	254.4	254.2
<b>Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)</b>	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.6	5.6	5.6
<b>Transport and Communication -</b>						
Road Transport	9.6	9.5	9.7	9.8	9.8	9.8
Shipping and Stevedoring	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6
Rail and Air Transport	8.2	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2
Communication	19.9	19.7	20.0	19.9	19.8	19.7
<b>Total Transport and Communication:</b>	40.3	39.9	40.5	40.5	40.4	40.3

\* Revised.

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TABLE 8 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS  
 AUSTRALIA (Continued)  
 (Thousands)

Industrial Group	April, 1958	May, 1958	Feb., 1959	March, 1959	April, 1959	May, 1959
<b>FEMALES (Continued)</b>						
<u>Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)</u>	45.4	45.5	47.7	47.9	47.9	47.9
Commerce -						
Wholesale Trade	41.4	41.3	41.2	41.4	41.6	41.5
Primary Produce Agencies	6.1	6.1	5.9	6.0	5.9	5.9
Retail Trade	124.4	125.8	125.8	125.7	125.9	127.4
<u>Total Commerce</u>	171.9	173.2	172.9	173.1	173.4	174.8
<u>Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.</u>	29.7	29.6	30.5	30.6	30.6	30.5
Other -						
Law and Order	10.4	10.5	10.8	10.9	10.9	10.9
Religion and Social Welfare	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0
Health Services	81.9	82.0	85.2	86.0	86.8	87.2
Education	55.8	56.0	60.0	60.4	60.4	60.4
Other Professional	10.5	10.5	10.6	10.7	10.7	10.7
Amusement, Sport	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.1
Personal Service (e)	69.8	69.0	69.2	69.5	69.2	68.8
<u>Total Other</u>	246.6	246.2	254.0	255.6	256.1	256.1
<u>TOTAL:</u>	795.8	794.6	807.5	810.4	809.7	810.7
<b>PERSONS</b>						
<u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>	25.8	25.8	25.8	25.5	25.2	25.2
Mining and Quarrying -						
Gold	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.2	7.1	7.1
Silver, Lead, Zinc	9.7	9.6	9.3	9.2	9.3	9.3
Coal	24.5	24.5	22.2	21.8	21.8	21.7
Other (including Quarries)	12.4	12.3	12.1	12.0	12.1	12.0
<u>Total Mining and Quarrying</u>	53.7	53.5	50.7	50.2	50.3	50.1
Manufacturing, etc. -						
Factories (a)	1039.1	1037.2	1041.0	1044.2	1044.4	1045.5
Other (b)	73.8	73.8	75.4	75.5	75.5	75.6
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	1112.9	1111.0	1116.4	1119.7	1119.9	1121.1
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.) -						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	86.1	86.7	86.0	86.3	87.1	87.3
Other (d)	119.8	120.8	122.4	122.8	123.9	124.1
<u>Total Building and Construction</u>	205.9	207.5	208.4	209.1	211.0	211.4
Transport and Communication -						
Road Transport	97.4	97.2	98.3	98.7	98.8	98.7
Shipping and Stevedoring	51.2	51.8	51.0	51.1	51.0	50.7
Rail and Air Transport	112.7	112.8	112.2	112.2	* 112.5	112.5
Communication	89.6	89.4	91.2	91.1	90.8	90.7
<u>Total Transport and Communication</u>	350.9	351.2	352.7	353.1	* 353.1	352.6
<u>Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)</u>	111.5	111.4	115.8	116.5	116.7	116.5
Commerce -						
Wholesale Trade	168.7	168.3	169.7	170.3	170.9	170.3
Primary Produce Agencies	30.6	30.0	31.6	30.7	30.5	30.3
Retail Trade	256.7	258.8	259.4	258.7	258.7	261.0
<u>Total Commerce</u>	456.0	457.1	460.7	459.7	460.1	461.6
<u>Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.</u>	133.2	133.2	135.5	135.8	136.0	135.9
Other -						
Law and Order	33.2	33.4	34.1	34.3	34.2	34.3
Religion and Social Welfare	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4
Health Services	109.4	109.5	113.2	114.2	115.0	115.5
Education	100.7	101.0	107.8	108.6	109.1	109.3
Other Professional	25.6	25.2	26.1	26.1	26.0	26.0
Amusement, Sport	28.9	28.5	28.6	29.0	28.5	28.6
Personal Service (e)	125.0	124.0	124.8	124.8	124.2	123.6
<u>Total Other</u>	443.2	442.0	455.0	457.4	457.4	457.7
<u>TOTAL:</u>	2893.1	2892.7	2921.0	2927.0	*2929.7	2932.1

\* Revised.

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NOTES TO TABLES 7 AND 8

- (a) Refers to estimated employment in factories as defined for the purpose of the annual factory census, results of which are published in the annual bulletin, Secondary Industries. In this connexion, a factory is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more persons are employed, or in which power, other than manual, is used. The employees covered are those engaged in manufacturing activities and exclude those engaged in selling and distribution, etc. The estimates of the number of employees in factories since June, 1948, shown in issues of this Bulletin up to No. 194 were replaced, as from Bulletin No. 195, February, 1958, by the series of statistics referred to in the Preface (page 1). The figures now shown represent the actual monthly employment in factories as recorded at successive annual Censuses of Factories to June, 1958, with interim estimates for subsequent months.
- (b) Includes employees in industrial establishments outside the scope of the definition of a factory (given in (a) above) and persons employed by factory proprietors but engaged in selling and distribution, etc., who are excluded from figures shown opposite "Factories".
- (c) Includes persons employed on private building, and employees of private employers contracting to public bodies, on building construction, alterations, maintenance and repairs.
- (d) Includes employees on construction of roads, bridges, earthworks, etc., and employees directly employed by public bodies on building and maintenance of buildings.
- (e) Includes Hotels, Restaurants, Hairdressing and Other Personal Services (except female private domestics).
- (f) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.
- (g) Includes Law and Order, Religion and Social Welfare, Health, Education, Other Professional Services, Amusement, etc., and Personal Service (Hotels, Restaurants, etc., excluding female private domestics). In respect of females only, also includes Forestry, Fishing, etc., Mining, Building and Construction.

III. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

By joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Commonwealth Statistician, a regular monthly survey of employment in the larger privately-owned factories of New South Wales and Victoria was instituted in January, 1952. Practically all private factories with 100 or more employees and a large section of those with between 50 and 100 employees were surveyed.

The instruction as to employees to be included in the returns was as follows:- "The number of persons employed is to include all persons on the establishment of the factory who are engaged in the factory or on the factory office staff, providing their employment is directly related to manufacture", and further "..... the number of males and females (separately) employed in the specified factory or mill. These figures are to include factory office staff, but are to exclude selling and distribution staff". The figures obtained relate to the numbers on the pay-roll as at the last pay-day in the month.

The survey was instituted to provide an earlier indication of trend of private factory employment, month by month, than is available from any other source, and in fact the trends shown in employment in these larger private factories are broadly consonant with those shown in estimates of total private factory employment, derived from Pay-roll Tax Returns, for the period for which comparisons are available.

Employment in food-processing factories is subject to considerable seasonal variation. In view of this circumstance, the movements in "all factories excluding food factories" are given equal prominence in the tables with those in "all factories surveyed".

The survey was extended to cover all States with effect from January, 1953. In Bulletins up to and including No. 152, totals were given for the original two States, for the three remaining mainland States and for the five mainland States together. The figures now shown in Tables 9 to 12 relate to all six States.

An industrial analysis, showing movements in each of eight broad groups, is given in Table 13. In continuation of the earlier practice, this table is confined to the five mainland States. At the present stage, figures for Tasmania cannot be incorporated into this table in the same detail because of the risk of disclosure of individual factory particulars.



TABLE 9 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

## SIX STATES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1958 : May	402,209	124,004	526,213	+ 0.2	- 0.9	- 0.1
June	403,647	123,455	527,102	+ 0.4	- 0.4	+ 0.2
July	402,911	122,814	525,725	- 0.2	- 0.5	- 0.3
August	401,674	122,229	523,903	- 0.3	- 0.5	- 0.3
September	401,876	121,792	523,668	+ 0.1	- 0.4	-
October	403,178	121,781	524,959	+ 0.3	-	+ 0.2
November	404,621	122,051	526,672	+ 0.4	+ 0.2	+ 0.3
December	402,066	121,949	524,015	- 0.6	- 0.1	- 0.5
1959 : January	400,250	122,110	522,360	- 0.5	+ 0.1	- 0.3
February	403,476	124,881	528,357	+ 0.8	+ 2.3	+ 1.1
March	404,731	124,981	529,712	+ 0.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
April	405,625	123,243	528,868	+ 0.2	- 1.4	- 0.2
May	*406,298	*123,158	*529,456	+ 0.2	- 0.1	+ 0.1
June	407,785	123,465	531,250	+ 0.4	+ 0.2	+ 0.3

\* Revised.

TABLE 10 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

## STATES

State	Employment in all Factories surveyed					Percentage movement in employment	
	1958		1959			Apr., '59- May, '59	May, '59- June, '59
	May	June	April	May	June		

## MALES

New South Wales	166,840	167,121	168,096	168,566	168,998	+ 0.3	+ 0.3
Victoria	121,827	121,337	124,112	123,727	123,291	- 0.3	- 0.4
Queensland	40,456	42,191	39,344	39,863	41,146	+ 1.3	+ 3.2
South Australia	41,312	41,376	42,397	* 42,472	42,695	* + 0.2	+ 0.5
Western Australia	17,399	17,384	17,221	17,199	17,207	- 0.1	-
Tasmania	14,375	14,238	14,455	14,471	14,448	+ 0.1	- 0.2
TOTAL:	402,209	403,647	405,625	*406,298	407,785	+ 0.2	+ 0.4

## FEMALES

New South Wales	51,407	51,190	50,749	50,985	51,370	+ 0.5	+ 0.8
Victoria	47,058	46,654	47,436	47,099	47,123	- 0.7	+ 0.1
Queensland	8,296	8,331	8,176	8,108	8,042	- 0.8	- 0.8
South Australia	9,168	9,241	8,981	* 9,073	9,210	* + 1.0	+ 1.5
Western Australia	3,526	3,488	3,431	3,436	3,407	+ 0.1	- 0.8
Tasmania	4,549	4,551	4,470	4,457	4,313	- 0.3	- 3.2
TOTAL:	124,004	123,455	123,243	*123,158	123,465	- 0.1	+ 0.2

## PERSONS

New South Wales	218,247	218,311	218,845	219,551	220,368	+ 0.3	+ 0.4
Victoria	168,885	167,991	171,548	170,826	170,414	- 0.4	- 0.2
Queensland	48,752	50,522	47,520	47,971	49,188	+ 0.9	+ 2.5
South Australia	50,480	50,617	51,378	* 51,545	51,905	* + 0.3	+ 0.7
Western Australia	20,925	20,872	20,652	20,635	20,614	- 0.1	- 0.1
Tasmania	18,924	18,789	18,925	18,928	18,761	-	- 0.9
TOTAL:	526,213	527,102	528,868	*529,456	531,250	+ 0.1	+ 0.3

\* Revised.



**TABLE 11 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES**  
**SIX STATES**

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed, except Food Factories			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1958 : May	349,777	107,442	457,219	- 0.1	- 0.4	- 0.2
June	349,645	107,057	456,702	-	- 0.4	- 0.1
July	348,125	106,694	454,819	- 0.4	- 0.3	- 0.4
August	347,031	106,484	453,515	- 0.3	- 0.2	- 0.3
September	346,857	106,329	453,186	- 0.1	- 0.1	- 0.1
October	346,877	105,902	452,779	-	- 0.4	- 0.1
November	347,599	105,630	453,229	+ 0.2	- 0.3	+ 0.1
December	347,824	105,365	453,189	+ 0.1	- 0.3	-
1959 : January	348,161	104,723	452,884	+ 0.1	- 0.6	- 0.1
February	349,705	105,579	455,284	+ 0.4	+ 0.8	+ 0.5
March	350,674	105,917	456,591	+ 0.3	+ 0.3	+ 0.3
April	351,708	106,479	458,187	+ 0.3	+ 0.5	+ 0.3
May	*352,203	*106,666	*458,869	+ 0.1	+ 0.2	+ 0.1
June	352,886	107,280	460,166	+ 0.2	+ 0.6	+ 0.3

\* Revised.

**TABLE 12 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES**  
**STATES**

State	Employment in all Factories surveyed, excluding Food Factories					Percentage movement in employment	
	1958		1959			Apr., '59- May, '59	May, '59- June, '59
	May	June	April	May	June		
MALES							
New South Wales	152,234	152,429	152,752	153,227	153,602	+ 0.3	+ 0.2
Victoria	107,453	107,117	109,068	108,959	108,938	- 0.1	-
Queensland	25,554	25,502	24,558	24,419	24,330	- 0.6	- 0.4
South Australia	37,454	37,656	38,471	* 38,673	38,947	* + 0.5	+ 0.7
Western Australia	15,094	15,075	14,805	14,868	14,891	+ 0.4	+ 0.2
Tasmania	11,988	11,866	12,054	12,057	12,178	-	+ 1.0
<u>TOTAL:</u>	349,777	349,645	351,708	*352,203	352,886	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
FEMALES							
New South Wales	45,424	45,256	44,720	44,981	45,372	+ 0.6	+ 0.9
Victoria	41,943	41,672	41,995	41,844	41,945	- 0.4	+ 0.2
Queensland	6,531	6,476	6,564	6,518	6,480	- 0.7	- 0.6
South Australia	7,873	8,018	7,692	* 7,767	7,841	* + 1.0	+ 1.0
Western Australia	2,689	2,686	2,628	2,619	2,601	- 0.3	- 0.7
Tasmania	2,982	2,949	2,880	2,937	3,041	+ 2.0	+ 3.5
<u>TOTAL:</u>	107,442	107,057	106,479	*106,666	107,280	+ 0.2	+ 0.6
PERSONS							
New South Wales	197,658	197,685	197,472	198,208	198,974	+ 0.4	+ 0.4
Victoria	149,396	148,789	151,063	150,803	150,883	- 0.2	+ 0.1
Queensland	32,085	31,978	31,122	30,937	30,810	- 0.6	- 0.4
South Australia	45,327	45,674	46,163	* 46,440	46,788	* + 0.6	+ 0.7
Western Australia	17,783	17,761	17,433	17,487	17,492	+ 0.3	-
Tasmania	14,970	14,815	14,934	14,994	15,219	+ 0.4	+ 1.5
<u>TOTAL:</u>	457,219	456,702	458,187	*458,869	460,166	+ 0.1	+ 0.3

\* Revised.

TABLE 13 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES : FIVE MAINLAND STATES

INDUSTRIAL GROUPING						
Industrial Group	Employment in Factories surveyed (5 States)				Percentage move- ment in employment	
	June, 1958	April, 1959	May, 1959	June, 1959	Apr., '59- May, '59	May, '59- June, '59
MALES						
1. Building Materials	36,121	36,216	36,219	36,143	-	- 0.2
2. Basic Metals	44,259	45,056	45,352	45,634	+ 0.7	+ 0.6
3. Transportation Equipment	59,467	59,849	59,943	59,904	+ 0.2	- 0.1
4. Other Metal Manufactures	91,761	92,287	* 92,885	93,249	+ 0.6	+ 0.4
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	21,760	22,130	21,692	21,605	- 2.0	- 0.4
6. Clothing and Textiles	32,663	32,812	32,713	32,606	- 0.3	- 0.3
7. Food	51,630	51,516	51,681	52,629	+ 0.3	+ 1.8
8. All Other	51,748	51,304	51,342	51,567	+ 0.1	+ 0.4
Total - All Groups	389,409	391,170	* 391,827	393,337	+ 0.2	+ 0.4
Total - Excluding Food	337,779	339,654	* 340,146	340,708	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
FEMALES						
1. Building Materials	3,183	3,118	3,053	3,062	- 2.1	+ 0.3
2. Basic Metals	2,590	2,740	2,757	2,800	+ 0.6	+ 1.6
3. Transportation Equipment	5,659	5,729	5,767	5,796	+ 0.7	+ 0.5
4. Other Metal Manufactures	23,374	22,625	* 22,712	23,090	* + 0.4	+ 1.7
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	4,805	4,885	4,946	4,895	+ 1.2	- 1.0
6. Clothing and Textiles	50,859	51,266	51,240	51,337	- 0.1	+ 0.2
7. Food	14,796	15,174	14,972	14,913	- 1.3	- 0.4
8. All Other	13,638	13,236	13,254	13,259	+ 0.1	-
Total - All Groups	118,904	118,773	* 118,701	119,152	- 0.1	+ 0.4
Total - Excluding Food	104,108	103,599	* 103,729	104,239	+ 0.1	+ 0.5

\* Revised.

## IV. WAGES AND HOURS OF LABOUR

TABLE 14 - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE EARNINGS (a) : AUSTRALIA

Index Numbers (Base 1945-46 = 1,000)

Revised Series (Seasonally Adjusted)

Year	Index Numbers		Quarter	Index Numbers	
	All Industries (b)	Manufacturing		All Industries (b)	Manufacturing
1945-46	1,000	1,000	1955 - Dec. Qtr.	2,851	2,853
1946-47	1,037	1,056	1956 - March "	2,866	2,862
1947-48	1,212	1,206	June "	2,922	2,901
1948-49	1,374	1,365	Sept. "	2,979	2,945
1949-50	1,513	1,505	Dec. "	3,023	2,973
1950-51	1,816	1,809	1957 - March "	3,020	2,962
1951-52	2,221	2,219	June "	3,038	2,995
1952-53	2,428	2,394	Sept. "	3,087	3,026
1953-54	2,553	2,511	Dec. "	3,105	3,066
1954-55	2,682	2,685	1958 - March "	3,093	3,075
1955-56	2,863	2,856	June "	3,102	3,089
1956-57	3,015	2,969	Sept. "	3,178	3,148
1957-58	3,097	3,064	Dec. "	3,207	3,151
			1959 - March "	3,178	3,188

(a) Includes salaries. (b) Average earnings per male unit employed. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings.

NOTE:- The index numbers for "All Industries" and "Manufacturing" show the movement in average earnings over a period of time. However, they do not give, at any point of time, a comparison of actual earnings in the two groups.

The "All Industries" index is based on Pay-roll Tax Returns and other data. The index for manufacturing industries for the years 1945-46 to 1957-58 is based on the average earnings of male wage and salary earners employed in factories as disclosed by annual factory returns. The figures subsequent to June, 1958 are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns.



TABLE 15 - AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS

The following figures are derived from employment and wages recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the armed forces is not included. The figures are not seasonally adjusted. A seasonally adjusted quarterly index of average weekly wage earnings is shown in Table 14.

Period	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
<b>AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID (£'000)</b>							
1951-52	14,778	10,171	4,391	3,051	2,231	1,075	35,697
1952-53	15,422	10,816	4,868	3,357	2,492	1,199	38,154
1953-54	16,480	11,767	5,227	3,615	2,754	1,305	41,148
1954-55	17,970	12,901	5,601	3,940	2,928	1,399	44,739
1955-56	19,764	14,144	6,033	4,330	3,104	1,521	48,896
1956-57	20,943	14,925	6,457	4,507	3,177	1,635	51,644
1957-58	21,664	15,510	6,585	4,635	3,284	1,671	53,349
1956-57 -							
September Quarter	20,363	14,647	6,399	4,479	3,209	1,559	50,656
December "	21,904	15,474	6,876	4,611	3,194	1,647	53,706
March "	20,144	14,276	6,041	4,343	3,088	1,618	49,510
June "	21,363	15,304	6,513	4,595	3,216	1,713	52,704
1957-58 -							
September Quarter	21,289	15,170	6,592	4,619	3,317	1,578	52,565
December "	22,741	16,253	6,894	4,772	3,353	1,674	55,687
March "	20,630	14,789	6,091	4,480	3,116	1,653	50,759
June "	21,995	15,831	6,764	4,668	3,350	1,778	54,386
1958-59 -							
September Quarter	22,182	15,908	7,016	4,757	3,407	1,654	54,924
December "	23,645	17,044	7,424	4,961	3,505	1,799	58,378
March "	21,253	15,382	6,565	4,568	3,131	1,669	52,568
<b>AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (£) (c)</b>							
1951-52	14.74	14.48	12.60	13.63	13.32	13.29	14.13
1952-53	15.96	15.71	14.17	15.17	14.69	14.80	15.45
1953-54	16.69	16.64	14.98	15.87	15.59	15.78	16.26
1954-55	17.64	17.59	15.58	16.83	16.11	16.54	17.13
1955-56	18.92	18.78	16.49	17.88	16.92	17.75	18.28
1956-57	19.89	19.70	17.50	18.28	17.48	18.79	19.16
1957-58	20.44	20.22	17.94	18.68	18.05	18.95	19.67
1956-57 -							
September Quarter	19.43	19.44	17.24	18.26	17.66	18.13	18.86
December "	20.76	20.45	18.54	18.83	17.59	19.10	19.92
March "	19.09	18.78	16.53	17.53	16.99	18.43	18.35
June "	20.29	20.12	17.70	18.50	17.71	19.51	19.53
1957-58 -							
September Quarter	20.18	19.97	17.83	18.66	18.37	18.22	19.47
December "	21.44	21.27	18.96	19.25	18.46	19.22	20.59
March "	19.43	19.14	16.76	18.01	17.10	18.58	18.68
June "	20.70	20.49	18.22	18.79	18.30	19.76	19.93
1958-59 -							
September Quarter	20.92	20.68	18.68	19.17	18.67	18.74	20.16
December "	22.19	22.01	19.88	19.89	19.12	20.37	21.35
March "	19.94	19.63	17.65	18.15	17.08	18.61	19.14

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes the Northern Territory.  
(c) Total wages as above divided by total civilian employment expressed in male units. Male units equals the number of males plus a proportion of females based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. The same ratio has been used in each State and because the average ratio of female to male earnings may vary between States precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above.

NOTE:- Comparisons as to trend should be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. Quarterly totals and averages are affected by seasonal influences.

AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY AND HOURLY WAGE RATE INDEX NUMBERS

The index numbers in the following three tables are based on averages of wage rates and hours of labour for a full week's work, obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements.

TABLE 16 - NOMINAL WEEKLY WAGE RATE INDEX NUMBERS (a) : ADULT MALES  
INDUSTRIAL GROUPS (b), 31ST MARCH, 1959

Base of each index : Weighted average weekly wage, Australia,  
All Groups, three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.(c)
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	371	352	353	346	364	358	360
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	354	343	377	339	363	360	352
III. Food, Drink, etc.	361	361	342	358	354	368	357
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	347	349	358	358	363	344	350
V. Books, Printing, etc.	407	394	403	383	439	402	402
VI. Other Manufacturing	361	346	341	347	352	361	352
VII. Building	403	398	384	367	386	378	394
VIII. Mining (d)	368	356	356	338	379	353	364
IX. Rail and Tram Services	377	360	367	345	361	386	367
X. Other Land Transport	359	339	336	334	351	353	347
XI. Shipping, etc. (e)	379	381	378	378	379	380	379
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	431	385	384	382	393	406	403
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	343	333	319	313	328	326	333
XIV. Miscellaneous	355	343	336	328	342	343	345
<u>All Groups (c)</u>	<u>378</u>	<u>359</u>	<u>359</u>	<u>352</u>	<u>367</u>	<u>370</u>	<u>367</u>

(a) The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure. (b) The average rate of wage for each industrial group in each State is the arithmetical average of the rates of wage payable for specified occupations within that group. (c) Weighted average. (d) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are those prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State and exclude district allowances in the gold mining industry. (e) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are for occupations other than masters, officers and engineers, in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of keep, where supplied.

TABLE 17 - NOMINAL WEEKLY WAGE RATE INDEX NUMBERS (a) : ADULT MALES  
ALL GROUPS (b)

Base of each index : Weighted average weekly wage, Australia,  
All Groups, three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Date	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
31st December, 1938	106	102	107	97	110	99	104
" " 1950	234	228	223	224	232	223	229
" " 1951	284	274	269	269	280	276	277
" " 1952	317	306	299	306	317	308	310
" " 1953	331	315	305	311	326	331	321
" " 1954	333	317	311	315	327	334	323
" " 1955	346	331	318	317	340	337	334
" " 1956	370	349	336	332	355	357	354
" " 1957	372	355	339	345	364	364	360
31st March, 1958	371	355	342	345	361	364	359
30th June, 1958	377	358	346	351	362	368	364
30th September, 1958	377	359	353	351	365	370	365
31st December, 1958	376	359	355	351	366	370	366
31st March, 1959	378	359	359	352	367	370	367

(a) The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure. (b) Weighted average.



TABLE 18 - NOMINAL HOURLY WAGE RATE INDEX NUMBERS (a) : ADULT MALES

## ALL GROUPS (b)

Base of each index : Weighted average hourly wage, Australia,  
three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Date	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.(c)
31st December, 1938	109	98	109	92	111	94	104
" " 1950	248	244	228	234	250	239	243
" " 1951	300	290	268	279	300	287	291
" " 1952	338	327	308	322	342	326	329
" " 1953	346	336	316	327	352	341	338
" " 1954	349	340	325	332	353	345	342
" " 1955	365	355	334	337	370	350	355
" " 1956	388	372	356	349	385	369	375
" " 1957	390	380	359	363	395	378	381
31st March, 1958	389	380	362	363	391	378	381
30th June, 1958	395	383	367	370	391	383	385
30th September, 1958	395	384	374	370	395	385	387
31st December, 1958	395	384	377	370	397	385	387
31st March, 1959	397	384	381	371	397	386	389

(a) The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure. (b) Weighted average hourly rates of wage for all industrial groups except Groups XI (Shipping, etc.) and XII (Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.), for which definite particulars for the computation of hourly wage rates are not available. The average rate of wage in each State is the weighted average of the wage rates for each industrial group in the State. (c) Weighted average.

## V. UNEMPLOYMENT

TABLE 19 - NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (a) : STATES

NOTE:- The figures in this table are as furnished by the Department of Social Services.

Month	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia		
							Males	Females	Persons
1951 June	246	32	263	3	50	10	457	147	604
1952 June	4,613	1,133	2,055	153	236	104	6,108	2,186	8,294
1953 June	14,629	5,939	3,677	655	691	323	21,552	4,362	25,914
1954 June	2,810	1,203	1,657	79	225	109	4,360	1,723	6,083
1955 June	1,042	319	964	70	239	45	1,670	1,009	2,679
1956 June	2,325	1,412	1,270	319	1,606	71	5,395	1,608	7,003
1957 June	6,242	5,073	2,851	1,054	2,441	410	14,324	3,747	18,071
1958 June	11,703	6,899	4,905	2,267	3,005	639	22,051	7,367	29,418
1958 January	9,872	4,974	9,357	1,522	2,596	434	24,273	4,482	28,755
February	9,620	4,085	9,431	1,444	2,257	326	22,141	5,022	27,163
March	8,721	4,135	7,814	1,554	2,018	243	19,359	5,126	24,485
April	9,568	5,006	7,831	1,896	2,214	296	20,875	5,936	26,811
May	10,502	5,894	5,799	2,085	2,543	459	20,552	6,730	27,282
June	11,703	6,899	4,905	2,267	3,005	639	22,051	7,367	29,418
July	12,098	7,442	3,907	2,393	3,363	712	22,266	7,649	29,915
August	11,350	7,435	3,176	2,207	3,219	891	21,104	7,174	28,278
September	10,626	6,735	2,984	1,933	2,875	849	19,098	6,904	26,002
October	10,302	5,656	2,874	1,707	2,709	789	17,494	6,543	24,037
November	9,859	4,916	3,031	1,507	2,354	635	15,872	6,430	22,302
December	11,881	5,436	5,460	1,707	2,501	580	20,919	6,646	27,565
1959 January	12,847	5,389	8,359	1,471	3,009	411	24,647	6,839	31,486
February	12,070	4,572	6,866	1,331	2,914	454	21,272	6,935	28,207
March	11,981	4,548	6,769	1,123	2,850	398	20,551	7,118	27,669
April	12,269	5,136	5,057	1,264	2,652	446	19,471	7,353	26,824
May	12,158	5,643	5,631	1,321	2,674	497	20,067	7,857	27,924
June	12,092	6,013	4,477	1,337	2,939	670	19,691	7,837	27,528

(a) Number on benefit at last Saturday of month. For June, 1951 and June, 1952 the figures represent the number of persons on the cash sheet; thereafter they represent the number actually on benefit. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory.

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